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**MEXICAN NATIONAL SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR  
POSSESSION OF AMMUNITION**

TUCSON, Ariz. – Jose Angel Valdez-Cañez, 27, of Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico, was sentenced here on August 24, 2005 to eight months in prison by U.S. District Judge Cindy K. Jorgenson. Valdez-Cañez had pleaded guilty on June 9, 2005 to Alien in Possession of Ammunition in violation of Title 18, U.S. Code Section 922(g)(5).

On or about April 1, 2005, Valdez-Cañez was a passenger in a vehicle stopped near Sasabe, Ariz. Valdez-Cañez told agents he was a citizen of Mexico and did not possess documents which allowed him to be in the United States legally. After his arrest, agents found two WIN 9mm Lugar bullets in his pocket. On May 4, 2005 he was charged by indictment.

After serving his eight month sentence, Valdez-Cañez will be on supervised release for two years, must submit to the collection of DNA and will be turned over to the custody of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement for deportation.

The investigation in this case was conducted by agents from U.S. Border Patrol and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The prosecution was handled by Sandra M. Hansen, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Tucson, Ariz.

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